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July 9, 2002

Priscilla Burton, Soils Reclamation Specialist Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

RE: Topsoil Management Plan for Consolidation Coal Company's Emery Mine at the 4th East Portals.

Dear Mrs. Burton:

As per conversations with you and the Division, please find the proposed plan for managing the topsoil pile at the new 4th East Portal Site. The plan follows guidelines as set forth in the publication "*Practical Guide to Reclamation in Utah*", Emery Mine Permit ACT 015/015 and your recommendations.

I have contracted Mr. Bill Lee of Skyline Reclamation to perform hydro seeding of the topsoil pile. He will be at the mine on Wednesday July 10^{th} to seed, mulch and tachify the topsoil pile. You are more than welcome to visit during the hydro seeding. The seed was purchased from Granite Seed Company in Lehi with the mixture as specified in Chapter VIII.C.3 of the Emery Mine Permit. I will send a copy of the tag from the seed bag to you.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (435) 286 – 3512 or (435) 820-0399.

Sincerely,

Seth McCourt

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Topsoil Management Plan - Emery Mine

1. Topsoil pile roughened or gouged?

Topsoil pile was gouged with a track hoe forming small basins. The basins are in a random pattern approximately 1-1/2 feet in depth on approximately 5-foot centers.

2. How will the topsoil pile be watered and how often?

Until the water tank is relocated to the 4th East Portal Site, the topsoil pile will be water with a hose from a water truck every other week. After the water is relocated and water established, a sprinkling system will be installed on top of the pile and watered for the first season.

3. Mulching

The topsoil pile will be mulched with virgin wood fiber at 2,000 pounds/acre.

4. Seed

Seed mixture is as stated in the MRP in Chapter VIII.C.3. and contains:

Russian Wild Rye

3.0 lbs/acre

Highcrest Crested Wheatgrass

8.0 lbs./acre

Fourwing Saltbrush

2.0 lbs./acre

I will provide you with a copy of the tag.

5. Tachifier

Topsoil pile will have a Guar Gum tachifier applied at 80-lbs/ acre

6. Broadcast or raked in?

Seed, mulch and tachifier will be broadcast over the topsoil pile.

7. Topsoil estimate

Approximately 12,958 yd³ as measured.

Granite Seed Company 1697 W. 2100 N. Lehi, UT 84043

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EMERY MIX

% PURE 24.61 FOURWING SALTBUSH 18.86 RUSSIAN WILDRYE 53.80 CRESTED WHEATGRASS HIGH ELEV. 47.80 + 0.00 -92.80 + 0.00 -86.00 + 0.00 -GERM + HARD DORM OR MC5 MW 22 MISIND S

NET WEIGHT: 25.94 LBS. BULK 19.50 LBS. PLS 0.02 Weed Seed

% Hard Seed:

9.00

Restricted Weed: None Data Tested: 08/29/2001

0.00 Gther Crop 2.71 Inert Matter

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